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ANNOUNCE CHANGE IN C. I. A.: President Kennedy leaving the Naval War College in Newport, R. I., yesterday with John A. McCone, right, whom he nominated as replacement for Allen W. Dulles, center, retiring director of Central Intelligence Agency.

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PRESIDENT NAMES M'CONE TO C. I. A.

Visits Naval War College to
Announce Change—Dulles
and Successor on Hand

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Special to The New York Times.

NEWPORT, R. I., Sept. 27—President Kennedy announced today his nomination of John A. McCone to succeed Allen W. Dulles as director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

The President made the announcement at an appearance before the Naval War College. Mr. McCone, Mr. Dulles and Vice Admiral Bernard A. ...

The President paid tribute to both Mr. McCone and Mr. Dulles, and he took pains to emphasize that Mr. Dulles was not leaving the C. I. A. under duress.

"I know of no man who is a more courageous, selfless public servant than Mr. Allen Dulles," the President said. He expressed "profound regret" at Mr. Dulles' retirement after ten years as a leader in the intelligence agency.

Of Mr. McCone, a Republican business man who served in both the Truman and Eisenhower Administrations, Mr. Kennedy said:

"He has had broad experience. Coming once again to Washington represents a real sacrifice for him. I know that all of us who are concerned with our present responsibility

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ties are extremely happy to have his counsel, extremely happy to have him associated with us."

The transition will be made in November, the President said. He said Mr. McCone would come to Washington in about two weeks to work with Mr. Dulles.

Mr. McCone and Mr. Dulles, calling each other "John" and "Allen," responded briefly.

Dulles Hails Successor

Mr. Dulles said he was "deeply touched" by the President's tribute.

"In these troubled times," he continued, "the importance of intelligence is emphasized as essential to policy. I know of no better time to turn from this job to others than after having served for ten years and then to have found what I feel is the ideal choice for a man to carry on this important work."

Mr. McCone, taking note of the President's remark about sacrifice, said that in his mind an "opportunity to serve my country in this capacity is a very definite privilege."

He said to Mr. Dulles that he was "not a man of great faith that it will be ex-

Many Officers Present

The ceremony took place in an auditorium filled with the high-ranking officers who are attending the war college. Most were in civilian clothes.

That Mr. Kennedy chose such a forum, and that he had both Mr. Dulles and Mr. McCone on hand, underscored the importance that is attached to the directorship of the C.I.A.

It had been understood for some months that Mr. Dulles would resign in November, following an understanding that he had reached with Mr. Kennedy when the latter asked him to continue in office shortly after the election last year.

After the abortive attempt to topple the Castro regime in Cuba, widely regarded as a C.I.A. project, there were repeated reports, always refuted by the White House, that Mr. Dulles was on the way out.

Mr. Kennedy noted that Mr. Dulles was retiring of his own volition, after having served the year that he had promised last November.

Fly in C. I. A. Plane

Mr. Dulles and Mr. McCone flew this morning from Washington to Quonset Point Naval Air Station, near here, in a C. I. A. plane. They went at once by helicopter to Hammersmith Farm, where Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy are on holiday.

The three men conferred for about a half-hour on the patio. The White House press secretary, Pierre Salinger, said it was at this time that Mr. Kennedy made his final decision to nominate Mr. McCone.

After the patio conference, the President and his two visitors crossed Newport Harbor, a twenty-minute cruise, in the H. R. Fitz, the Presidential yacht. This brought them to the base and the War College, a stone building standing on a hill above the harbor.

Immediately after the ceremony, Mr. Dulles and Mr. McCone took off in a helicopter for Quonset Point and the return to their homes.

Kennedy recrossed the harbor in the Honey Fitz, picked up Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy and their two children, Caroline and John, Jr., at the Hammersmith Farm landing, and departed on a cruise.

Mr. Kennedy's sleep was interrupted twice last night, Mr. Salinger said, because of the adjournment of Congress. He was awakened at 2:30 A. M. by Representative Albert of Oklahoma, a House Democratic leader, who said he was ready to quit.

At 6:12 A. M., Senator Mike Mansfield of Montana, the Democratic majority leader, called to say that the Senate had finished its business. Such calls are a customary part of the Congressional ritual however they interrupt a President's